## BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELEC

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In the matter of	)	
Harold Simmons	) ) )	MUR 6081

## REPLY OF HAROLD SIMMONS TO THE COMPLAINT FILED IN MUR 6081

This responds on behalf of our client, Harold Simmons ("Simmons"), to the notification the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") that a Complaint has been filed against him in the above-referenced matter. To the extent we can ascertain the Complaint's charges against Mr. Simmons, they are generally and specifically denied. The Commission must dismiss this matter and take no further action against Mr. Simmons.

The Complaint concerns the activities of a tax-exempt organization to which Mr. Simmons did contribute. The American Issues Project, Inc. describes itself as a Section 501(c)(4) group organized under the Internal Revenue Code to discuss issues of public importance. As such, Mr. Siminons's contribution was in advancement of or related to American Issues Project's exempt function. Mr. Simmons had no control over how the funds were used by AIP.

Accordingly, Mr. Simmons contributions do not fall under the Federal Election Campaign Act and this complaint must be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,

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